

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 642
By Towns

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Methodist South
Hospital on its 30th Anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those health care facilities whose mission is to improve the quality of life for those who seek comfort and healing within their walls; and

WHEREAS, one such facility is Methodist South Hospital in Memphis, whose dedication to patient care, compassion for the patient's family, and commitment to customer service are unrivaled; and

WHEREAS, established in 1973, Methodist South is currently a 200-bed facility serving South Memphis and North Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Methodist South was the first acute-care suburban hospital in the Memphis area and now operates a 24-hour Level II Emergency Department with 15 fully equipped treatment rooms which can handle trauma cases as well as cardiac, orthopedic, gynecological, and other medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Methodist South is also certified by Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center as part of the Pediatric Emergency Network; and

WHEREAS, this fine facility also offers a cancer care center, excellent cardiac services, and units for both critical care and same day surgery; and

WHEREAS, Methodist South's dialysis unit treats more than 100 patients each year, performing nearly 11,000 treatments annually, making it one of the busiest in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, the renowned Maternity Center at Methodist South Hospital contains a Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit staffed by board-certified neonatologists and specially trained clinical staff and was designed with the entire family in mind through the utilization of labor, delivery, and recovery suites; and

WHEREAS, Methodist South's commitment to quality care is exemplified by the expansion of its facilities for diagnostic services including cath lab services, angiography, and MRI diagnostic imaging; and

WHEREAS, Methodist South Hospital provides a wide range of other services including: surgical care, physical therapy, respiratory care, and wound healing; and

WHEREAS, the many citizens of the greater Memphis area who have received lifesaving health care treatment from Methodist South provide testimony to the dedication and quality of the fine medical staff and administration of Methodist South Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the employees of Methodist South Hospital have toiled over the last 30 years to establish a continuing legacy of excellence and to provide services in a manner which supports the Health Ministries and Social Principles of the United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Methodist South Hospital for its dedication to serving the citizens of the greater Memphis area with the utmost integrity, acumen, and alacrity; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Methodist South Hospital on its 30th Anniversary and recognize its dedication to quality health care. We extend to them our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.